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HAD A FINE TWO-YEAR TRIP

PROF. PIERCE RETURNS HOME.

Sierra Madre Pioneer Back From Two-Year Journey Through Europe

Prof. E. T. Pierce spent Wednesday shaking hands with Sierra Madre friends and looking over the town from which he had been absent during a two-year trip through Europe. He appeared to be in the best of health and said he was feeling much better than when he and Mrs. Pierce began their journeys. For the present they are staying with his sister, Mrs. Catherine Pierce Wheat, of Los Angeles.

To the older residents Prof. Pierce needs no introduction. But to those who have come to Sierra Madre within the past two years he is little known, save perhaps through his reputation as an educator. He was one of the pioneers of Sierra Madre, having purchased a tract at the northeast corner of Central and Sierra Madre avenues when the Sierra Madre tract was first laid out. He held this until a few months ago when the homestead and all the land but one or two lots were purchased by Mr. S. P. Burch. Prof. Pierce was the first principal of the Sierra Madre public school and was more or less prominently identified with the entire history of the town. He always took particular interest in the public library and while abroad sent interesting collections of pictures to the library.

As an educator he is widely known, having been the founder of the Normal school at Chico. He was afterward for eleven years president of the State Normal in Los Angeles. He resigned from this position about five years ago. The past two years he has spent in travel with Mrs. Pierce through most of the countries of Europe. During this tour he paid especial attention to the school systems of the various countries visited. He contributed an interesting interview for the Times along this line.

After viewing the different school systems abroad, Dr. Pierce believes the excellence of public education in these countries has been greatly over-rated by many American educators. He found the schools of Wales interesting and suggestive, and thinks American teachers have somethings to learn from the picked schools of Germany. But, as a whole, he considers American schools are in advance of any foreign schools.

"During all our journeys, we met with no accidents or serious delay. I have returned to Los Angeles in greatly improved health," said Dr. Pierce. "We visited the British Isles, Holland, Denmark, Belgium, France, Germany, Switzerland, Turkey, Hungary, Australia and Bavaria. On the way from Athens to Constantinople we stopped at Smyrna, Asia Minor.

"Some weeks were spent in each of the interesting cities of London, Edinburgh, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Paris, Berlin, Dresden, Munich, Florence, Venice, Rome, Naples, Athens, Constantinople, Buda-Pest, Carlsbad and Vienna.

"Many interesting side trips were taken, including visits to the chateaux region of Touraine in France;

the hill towns of Perugia, and Ashtown castles of Ludwig; the Madisi in Italy; the romantic and beautiful King of Bavaria; a ride from Oberammergau by automobile and diligence through the wild and picturesque region of the Austrian Tyrol. We also visited the Martin Luther country in Germany and took a trip to the Isle of Man."

In visiting the schools, Dr. Pierce was surprised at the lack of individual desks and blackboards. He said it was a rare sight to see pictures on the walls of the school rooms. He visited the universities in several European countries, where his letters of introduction from some of his old colleagues on the State Board of Education, and from the United States Commissioner of Education, gained him ready access and many courtesies. The days spent in roaming about Cambridge and Oxford were especially pleasant.

"I was particularly impressed with the efficiency and courtesy of our consular service," continued the doctor. "Though we did not find it necessary to require the official services of any of these officers, we remember with pleasure the cordial welcome we met everywhere at the American offices.

"In fact, 'American' is a magic word in most places in Europe. The American is shown many courtesies and saved some annoyances in traveling. This was illustrated on our trip from Constantinople to Budapest, through Bulgaria and Servia, when the war cloud was hovering over the Balkans."

FOOTBALL TOMORROW

Baldwin's field at the foot of Hermosa avenue will be the scene of the football game to be played tomorrow afternoon by the Knights of King Arthur team and the Whittier Boys' Club team. It will be remembered that the local team met a decisive defeat at Whittier two weeks ago and they hope to be able to return the compliment when the visitors come up tomorrow. They have been practicing regularly since the former game and will put up a much stronger front. The game will be called at 2:30 o'clock, and there should be a good crowd out to root for the home team. The line-up will probably be: Victor Hill, right end; William Wright, right tackle; Ray Adelmeyer, right guard; Gus Jansen, center; Ellio Leon, left guard; Norman Olsen, left tackle; Percy Hanover, left end; Leigh Smith, full back; Roy Bowen, left half; Gale Williams, right half; Don Baxter, quarter.

SCHOOL CONTRACTS LET

There was some close figuring to be done by the school trustees on the bids for the improvement of the public school grounds as described in the News some weeks since. The trustees finally decided the interests of the taxpayers would be best served by dividing the work, giving the contract for the concrete and piping to L. E. Steinberger and the grading to George Ray and J. G. Adelmeyer. Norman Morrison also bid on the grading while the Davission Company and Mr. Needham of Monrovia bid on the entire job.

The trustees have elected a new janitor for the school building and grounds in the person of Mr. Engle, who recently bought the Couch property. He will devote his entire time to the work and when the landscape work is completed will also care for the trees and shrubbery. He will be employed during the entire year.

SIERRA MADRE RAINFALL.

Weekly Report Furnished by Mr. John G. Blumer.

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November 956
November 1118
November 14	1.03
November 2695
December 2 to noon07
Total to date	3.61
Total to end of November, 190889
Total to December 3, 1908	2.80

WILL IMPROVE SUFFOLK

City Engineer Prepares Grades and Profiles of Street

City Engineer Mansur has completed the grades and profiles for Suffolk Avenue so that proceedings for the improvement of that street can be begun as soon as the grade ordinance is adopted by the trustees. This has been done in response to a petition of property owners representing a majority of the frontage between Baldwin Avenue and Sierra Madre Place who asked for grading, oiling and curbing. The names signed to the petition were J. D. Tucker, T. E. Yerxa, Martin Olsen, Aletta Olsen, Andrew Olsen, G. A. Peterson, T. A. Thompson.

It has not been decided by the trustees whether the work will be done under the bond act or on a cash basis. The preference of the property owners will be observed and it is said a majority favor the cash payment.

PLANT TREES ON GRANDIN

The commendable campaign for uniform street tree planting has been given another impetus by Grandin Avenue residents after being allowed to become dormant for many months. The planting has been done under the superintendence of Messrs. J. C. Dickson and Howard Hill, each representing one of the two blocks of the street. The trees selected are the Camphor and Jacaranda, planted alternately. The latter being deciduous will afford uniform shade in summer with more winter sunshine than evergreen trees would permit. What street will be next in the work of progress?

LIGHTNING QUEERS LIGHTS

Of course Sierra Madre does not have hard electrical storms. They are unknown in Southern California—almost. They had one in Pasadena last Friday afternoon and one of the Edison Company's high power transmission poles was struck by lightning. Of course that was not the fault of the climate. Perish the thought! It was merely because the Edison juice went out of its way to meet the bolt from the sky. But the result was the crippling of the service so the power failed just as the first form of the News was ready for press. There were no lights in Sierra Madre or Monrovia till late that night and it was impossible to print the News till Saturday morning.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Church of the Ascension, Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, rector. Second Sunday in Advent. Sunday school and rector's Bible class 9:45 a. m.; sermon and Holy Communion 11 a. m. Subject of sermon, "Judgment." Evening prayer and lecture, 7:30 p. m. Subject of sermon-lecture, "Some Misconceptions of the Episcopal Church." All will be cordially welcome.

FINE SPEAKERS NEXT WEEK

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Conference and Retreat to Be Held in Connection with the Evangelical Prayer Union.

Without doubt the most notable religious gathering ever held in Sierra Madre will begin its sessions next Monday in the Congregational church. The meetings will be notable for two reasons—first, the great strength represented in the list of speakers, and the number of persons from other cities who will attend.

Among the speakers are the most prominent men of the various evangelical denominations of Southern California. The list includes such men as Dr. William Horace Day, President John Willis Baer, Dr. Robert R. Meredith, Dr. Matt Hughes, Dean McCormick and others, seldom gathered together on one program.

It is probable that several hundred visitors will be brought to Sierra Madre during the week by the meetings, most of them for a day at a time, but some for longer periods. This city will necessarily be given a prominent place in the minds of these visitors, a fact which gives the meetings importance aside from the religious phase.

The program provides for four meetings each day, a sunrise prayer meeting at 7:30 a. m.; meetings for prayer and fellowship at 10 a. m., and 2:30 p. m., and evangelistic meetings at 7:30 p. m. The meetings will be under the general supervision of the director of the prayer union, Rec. H.

Among those who will be present and who will take part in the day meetings are Rev. William Horace Day, D. D., of Los Angeles; Dr. John Willis Baer, of Occidental College; Rev. Robert R. Meredith, D. D., of Pasadena; Rev. Herbert J. Weaver (Lutheran), of Los Angeles; Rev. William Hardy, of Redondo; Rev. R. A. Hadden, of the Bible Institute, Los Angeles; Rev. N. L. Rowell, D. D., of Garvanza.

The Prayer Union, under the auspices of which the meetings are to be held, is an unsectarian organiza-

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GOSSIP ABOUT McLACHLAN.

Graphic.—I was edified to note that the City Club had James McLachlan to speak before it last Saturday. This, too, with Lee C. Gates and Will D. Stephens both looking askance in the McLachlan congressional direction. Moreover, the present Seventh district congressman always has been opposed by the reform element, so-called, within his own party, he having invariably secured his nomination through the personal agency of Walter Parker. I wonder if it really can be true that next year Congressman McLachlan is to have the endorsement of Meyer Lissner and his associates, and the opposition of the regulars and their machine. When I hinted at this, not long ago, it was received with scoffing by the wiseacres. But it now looks as if I were on a "hot" trail. How curious if the alignment should show McLachlan with the City Club and kindred support, next year, as against W. D. Stephens with the backing of the regulars, many of the latter being Stephens' most particular political and social chums. Then, two years later, McLachlan may be representing Pasadena and another district in Congress, with Los Angeles having a representative of her own.

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Brief Items of Interest

The J. E. Adams home was gladden on Thanksgiving day by the arrival of a fine ten-pound girl.

Miss Charline Baker entertained during the Thanksgiving and weekend holiday Miss Laura Lattin, a Marlborough school friend.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Morgridge spent Wednesday visiting a colony of Iowa friends who are hibernating at Ocean Park.

Mrs. Ed. Northrup and two children started on Tuesday for her home in Fargo, N. D., after a visit of several weeks at the home of her brother, C. A. Todd.

Miss Risley of Long Beach, accompanied by the two small sons of Rev. Dr. Bissell of the Long Beach Congregational church, is spending the week in Sierra Madre.

The Non Nobis Solum Society of the Orton school, 130 South Euclid avenue, Pasadena, will hold its annual charity fair on Saturday afternoon and evening, December 4.

A new furnace is being installed this week in the Church of the Ascension. The improvement is one that will be appreciated by all who attend there, insuring their comfort regardless of the weather conditions.

The Long Beach correspondent of a Los Angeles paper writes: Dr. H. O. Bates, formerly a noted surgeon of Chicago, is seriously ill at his home on Orange Grove avenue, suffering from a hemorrhage of the brain and paralysis. The latter has affected nearly all of his body. Dr. Bates is a father-in-law of Senator N. B. Scott of West Virginia. Dr. Bates owns property in Sierra Madre and has spent much time here.

Louis Newcomb, accompanied by Mrs. Newcomb and the baby, returned last Thursday afternoon from Chillao, where they had spent the past two months. The cabin which Mr. Newcomb is building there is not yet completed, but he will return early in the spring for the finishing touches. The cabin is located in one of the most picturesque regions of the whole mountain range. It is about four miles from the Pine Flats club house and the country is unsurpassed in this range for hunting and fishing, being so remote that most of the hunters do not get within many miles of it.

Mrs. O. M. Cadwell has been enjoying the novelty of harvesting a ripe bunch of remarkably fine flavored bananas from the tree at her Auburn avenue home. This is the second bunch which has ripened on the tree during the four or five years that Mrs. Cadwell has lived there. The fruit remained on the tree till thoroughly mellow, and Mrs. Cadwell reports the flavor to be far superior to that of any bananas which can be obtained in the markets. It is often said that bananas will not ripen in this climate and that the trees are useless except as ornaments or curiosities. Probably they could not be made to pay as a commercial proposition, but Mrs. Cadwell's experience speaks well for local climatic conditions.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Winter of Barrington, Ill., and Mrs. Frederick Holt of San Diego were house guests at the Cadwell home over Sunday.

Miss Edna Staples entertained a merry house party over the weekend, the guests being members of her high school sorority.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lovell and family of Long Beach have rented one of the F. R. Smith cottages on Wildon street.

Miss Grace Durland of Chicago arrived last week and will spend the winter with her cousin, Mrs. Charles Hall Perry.

Mrs. Charles W. Hill, accompanied by Leslie and Miss Edna, were entertained during the Thanksgiving holiday by her aunt, Mrs. Georgia Bacon, of Mentone.

Mrs. Paul C. Staples, who has been for some weeks at Oro Grande, where Mr. Staples has some building contracts, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Crabtree and three children left for their home in Chicago on Wednesday. Mrs. Crabtree and children had spent several months in Sierra Madre, Mr. Crabtree having arrived last week to accompany them home.

Miss Elizabeth Borglum, who is developing her place at the foot of Hermosa avenue into a veritable rose garden, has given it the French name "La Roseraie" (pronounced Rose-ray), a French name for "the rose garden." The artistic possibilities of the place are equalled by few others in town.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB.

Scandinavian music and composers will be the theme of the program to be given before the Monday Musical Club at the regular meeting next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. At this meeting the ladies of the Sierra Madre Woman's Club have been invited to be present as guests. Others who are members of neither club may attend upon payment of 25 cents. The program promises to be one of the finest of the year. It will be given by Mrs. M. H. Jamison, pianist, of Los Angeles, assisted by Mrs. I. H. Norton, a well-known Los Angeles singer. The program will be as follows:

Piano—

(a) Morning Walk, Emil Sjogren.
(b) On the Lake, Emil Sjogren.

Voice—

Last Night, Halfdan Kjerulf, Mrs. Norton.

Piano Suite, Agathe Backer Grodahl. The Prelude, Nocturne, Gavotte, Mermett.

Voice—

Ich Liebe Dich, Grieg, Mrs. Norton.

Piano—

(a) Aus dem Carnaval, Grieg.
(b) Salon, Grieg.

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WHY THE LOTS ARE NARROW.

Interesting historical facts bob up in unexpected places and most of the commonplace things about us have some historical interest which is often brought out in the most casual manner. Down on Live Oak avenue for the half block just west of Baldwin, the lots have only a 50-foot frontage. All the other north and south front lots in the Hosmer tracts have 75-foot frontage. The Hosmer tracts include all the land bought of the late N. C. Carter when the Sierra Madre tract was laid out in 1882, Mr. Hosmer then buying the land extending half a block west of Baldwin avenue between Central and Live Oak avenues. This land was subsequently divided into three blocks and laid out in town lots, all having 75-foot frontage with the exceptions named. And therein lies the tale of something that might have been—but never came to pass.

About the time that Mr. Hosmer subdivided his tract the Southern Pacific railroad surveyed a line for the purpose of running a branch through Sierra Madre. A right of way was tentatively secured and the station was to be on Live Oak avenue, just west of Baldwin. The approach was to be from the southwest and the line was to have been continued eastward, across the orange orchard now owned by T. E. Yerxa, with a loop across the wash to Arcadia and Monrovia. It was while this line was confidently expected to be built, said Mr. Hosmer in a recent conversation, that he laid out his tract. Thinking that the Live Oak avenue frontage would be saleable for business purposes rather than for residence property, he made the divisions smaller than in the rest of the tract. But the railway line was never built, for what reason does not appear. Just what difference there would have been in the development of Sierra Madre during the succeeding twenty years while the town was awaiting the arrival of the Pacific Electric line offers material for interesting speculation.

LITTLE GROWN FOLKS

Hollywood Citizen.—Lives of great men all remind us that greatness is made up of much attention to small details. How frequently one reads of some great railroad manager that he knows all the details of the business under him and conditions in all territory tributary to that business; or of the great merchant that he keeps constantly in touch with, and thoroughly informed concerning events and sentiment in the community where he looks for customers. It is this alert watch upon events around him which makes the man great and successful in his field.

On the other hand the little mer-

chant who has no time to read his local paper stays a little man for a few months or years, and then fades out of sight and goes to clerking for some one else. He knows a little about Jeffries and Johnson; he has an inkling of affairs in Central America, and about one or two divorce suits, and has considerable information and more misinformation about a lot of other things not worth a counterfeit five cent bit to him, and sits in his store and chews gum and waits for customers while his solicitor stumbles about trying to sell people things they do not want or have already got.

This man notices some morning that Jonadab Jenkins is building a barn, and as he passes calls to Jenkins to ask if he wants any nails or hinges or anything, and Jenkins replies that he has bought his hardware. Of course he has. The local paper told three weeks ago that Jenkins was going to build a barn and all the contracts were let and all the supplies purchased while the little merchant was posting himself as to the probability of a revolution in Spain.

Or the little merchant sees the children of the M. E. Sunday school starting off for a picnic. That picnic has been announced two weeks in the local paper, but the little merchant did not read the paper, and with his shelves full of nice picnic supplies hardly sold a dollar's worth.

As a rule, with few exceptions, the things most important to a man are the things nearest to him; the paper of first importance to a family is the home paper which gives information of neighborhood affairs. No matter how well a man or woman is informed as to the world at large, politics, science, literature, art or history, he or she is sadly crippled in the every day affairs of life who is not informed as to current events in the immediate neighborhood.

ABOUT THE LIMIT

The following editorial comment from The Argonaut might be applied with equal force to the course of the Los Angeles papers in the Alma Bell and similar cases:

The people of Auburn are said to be amazed at the interest aroused in San Francisco by the Alma Bell case, and well they may be. The motive of the crime, if crime there was, is as old as humanity itself. It does not possess a single feature that can raise it from the immeasurable depth of ugly vulgarity to which it belongs, it has not even a touch of real sentiment or of real mystery. And yet day by day our newspapers parade the foul-smelling and obscene story before our faces and by so doing merit their banishment from every decent home as impudent corrupters of public morals. We may well believe that there are human vultures who delight in this sort of carrion, but we can hardly suppose that they constitute a valuable asset to a newspaper, certainly not the most valuable, as the newspapers themselves seem to think.

The newspapers that would like to be decent in such a matter as this are too cowardly. They are afraid to offend the gutter, but it seems time to suggest the restraint of a new kind of fear. If the respectable majority

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AT LOS ROBLES RANCH

Interesting Impressions of Mr. Huntington and His New Home

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When I rode up to Los Robles ranch the other day, I caught a glimpse of Mr. Huntington, in his shirt sleeves, earnestly engaged with his head gardener in reassembling a marble antique, which, transported especially from Italy, was again to do service as a fountain, after lying perdu perhaps a thousand years in the abandoned grounds of a deserted palazzo. Tenderly, almost lovingly, the volunteer artisan handled the tablet that bore the head of a grinning satyr, from whose distended mouth the water was designed to flow into the basin beneath. He caressed the sharp ears of the faun as fondly as a woman would her pet dog, and gazed rapturously on the ugly, grinning face, when, after repeated attempts, it was finally set up to his satisfaction.

Myron Hunt laughed. "There he is, happy as a tinker," he remarked, sotto voice, as we drew nearer. "Rain or shine, he is here daily, and hardly a brick, stone, wire or board has gone into place unknown to him. He calls most of the workmen by name, and when he is not hobnobbing with the six-foot laborer mixing mortar, like as not he is fraternizing with the plaster-cast maker or one of the carpenters."

No owner ever had half so much joy in the building of his house as Henry E. Huntington has found. His son, Howard, once confided to me that he thought his father really took more interest in seeing a tile nicely adjusted than he did in the biggest engineering undertaking on any of his roads. Fortunately, this interest will not cease with the completion of the house. There are five hundred acres in the Huntington ranch, with upward of nine miles of natural, forest driveways, and to beautify these grounds, to add to the varieties of rare trees, shrubbery and plants will occupy the time of the master of Los Robles for years to come.

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What impressed me, once within, was the extreme simplicity of the interior finishings, combined, however, with great beauty in the carvings and panelings. I found no heavy mahogany or other expensive woods used, but throughout the white, soft, Norway pine, painted white, but exquisitely carved everywhere. Except in the big library, which is finished in oak, with oak carvings, Norway pine prevails, and the carving in this medium is lovely beyond description. The panelings for the five principal rooms were made in London and shipped through to the coast in sealed cases, and set up by London

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TO LOAN—Money in sums from \$300 to \$2500 on Sierra Madre realty. See A. S. Mead about it. 9

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AT LOS ROBLES RANCH
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workmen, sent over especially for that purpose. The remainder of the woodwork for all the other rooms was made in Los Angeles. There is an absence of Pullman car garishness in this exquisitely chaste interior, but the careful labor denotes thought and expression, resulting in beauty of form delightful in its simplicity. The panelings are merely backgrounds for works of art, and although these, of course, are not yet in place, from the photographs I have seen, showing the designs, I can attest the great beauty of the insets.

I think the joy of the house lies in the magnificent library. Oak cases,

reaching to the ceiling, form the walls of this ideal abode of books, except in those panelings intended for the reception of Gobelin tapestries, which are of unequalled elegance and design. These artistic masterpieces, by Bouget, whom no other cartooner of the famous Gobelin works ever surpassed, form undoubtedly the only perfect set extant, and are of great value. Originally, there were four sets, which Louis XIV ordered made for the Spanish, Italian, Austrian and English ambassadors. Long since, the continental sets were disposed of piecemeal, but the one presented to the English ambassador was preserved in unbroken unity, and, coming into the possession of the DuVeen brothers of Paris, the wealthiest firm of collectors in the world, was sold by that house to Mr. Huntington for the decoration of his San Gabriel mansion. There are five pieces in the set. Four will be hung in the big library and one in the main hallway. They represent sylvan scenes on the French Boccaccio order, exquisitely wrought and as perfect in color and workmanship today as when they left the looms, more than two hundred years ago. These tapestries are sui generis; their like does not exist elsewhere in the world.

I think I am safe in saying that the beautiful building, now nearly completed, on the bench out in the San Gabriel valley, is intended, primarily, as a housing for the books, paintings, tapestries and other works of art accumulated by Mr. Huntington in the last twenty years, rather than as a home for himself. Yet, large as are the rooms, I doubt if the owner of this superb retreat will find place for more than one-half of the treasures he has stored away under so many different roofs, both here and on the Atlantic coast. Although I noted several niches in the walls of the main hall and elsewhere, I understand that statuary will have little place in the Huntington home. The owner's tastes lean to beautiful paintings, tapestries and books; for the expression of art in carved marble, except for the carved marbles outdoors, he seems not to care. Perhaps, at a later date he may develop a liking for the sculptor's art, although I fancy it will never hold the place in his affections borne by paintings and tapestries.

I suppose Los Robles ranch harbors the greatest botanical collection to be found in any semi-tropical country. There are two acres of lath houses, a hundred feet or so northeast of the house, many acres of cacti, hundreds of rare palms, surpassing even, in this particular, the famous Gillespie collection at Santa Barbara. The water gardens at the base of the bench are a retreat for the lotus, the water lily, rare mosses and many varieties of water plants. The wild fowl find in this seductive spot a haven of safety from the fowler, and, in season, scores of the larger migratory birds float contentedly on the bosom of the waters, cheek by jowl with the tame habitués. At intervals, on the spacious grounds, are installed beautiful settles of Carrara marble, in modern designs, that lend dignity and richness to the environment. Directly west of the house, whose scent permeates the main dining room, is a rose garden, containing hundreds of varieties of bushes, laden with perfumed blossoms. A little to the north is a detached house, for billiard room and bowling alley purposes, and another adjacent building contains the offices for the estate.

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THIS is the time o' year when the ladies all think they have to get themselves into an awful "stew" about a suitable present for that man, but why they should think so, we cannot understand.

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WOULD CROSS MOUNTAINS.

Glendora Wants Wagon Trail to Tap Mountain Country

Glendora Gleaner.—The question of constructing a wagon road across the mountains will not down until active steps are taken to build the road. Its importance is too obvious to be overlooked by the business men and citizens of Glendora possessed of even ordinary acumen. A public highway, such as desired is feasible and practicable. Though the cost will be considerable, the compensating advantages will justify the expense many times over. As an investment, the funds required for the construction of the projected road will unquestionably prove to be one of the best ever made in the interest of the town and the community. Indirectly, the benefits will be far reaching.

This would bring the large and profitable trade of the San Gabriel resorts and mining interests to Glendora to the advantage of the town and profit of the merchants.

The road would be freely patronized by the pleasure seeker and tourist because of its transcendent scenic beauty.

Connections could be easily made with the boulevard and the railroads, which would enhance the value of the proposed road.

It is certain that a keen interest is felt in this enterprise and that agitation will be kept up until substantial results are obtained.

The route has been surveyed at a considerable expense, and a trail has been blazed most of the way which marks at least a beginning.

We are informed that the officials of the Angeles Forest Reserve propose to build a fire break over the mountains back of town. If this report is true, action should be taken at once to induce the officials to build along the line surveyed. The probabilities are that if our citizens will provide a part of the funds required, that there will be little difficulty experienced in obtaining the consent of the government to follow this route. This would do much to call attention to the proposed road and bring to view the public utility of a road over the mountains from Glendora to the mines and summer resorts of the San Gabriel river.

FINE SPEAKERS COMING

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tion composed of representatives of all the churches. Its one aim is to promote the devotional life. All the meetings will be held in the Congregational church with the exception of that on Saturday forenoon, which will probably be held in the Church of the Ascension.

If the weather is propitious the visitors and all the Sierra Madre people who may wish to join them will gather for a basket picnic in Carter's Camp on Saturday at the close of the forenoon session.

The hope is expressed by Rev. Dr. J. M. Campbell, who has been active in the affairs of the union in the past, that the people of Sierra Madre will make it a point to give the visitors a hearty welcome. He is especially anxious, also, that the evening meetings be well attended. The array of speakers certainly excels

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any ever heard here before in any cause. These will be as follows: Monday, Rev. A. B. Pritchard, D. D., Los Angeles; Tuesday, Rev. R. P. Shepard, Pomona; Wednesday, E. H. Emmett, religious work director of the Los Angeles Y. M. C. A.; Thursday, Dean McCormick of St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral; Friday, Dr. Matt S. Highes of First Methodist church, Pasadena.

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